



Borough of Buxton

ANNUAL REPORTS

for the Year 1964

by

F. D. F. STEEDE, M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H.

Medical Officer of Health

and

RICHARD CRUDDAS, M.C., M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.

*Chief Public Health Inspector, Cleansing Superintendent
and Shops Act Inspector.*

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

Chairman: Councillor W.R. James

Vice-Chairman: Alderman S.D. Gent

Councillor E.I. Heathcote, J.P. (Mayor)	Councillor H. Hibbert,
Alderman C.M. Kershaw,	Councillor Y.L. Lees,
Alderman G.R. Williams,	Councillor G.R. Morris,
Councillor W.E. Gardner,	Councillor R.W. Stewart.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE AUTHORITY

Medical Officer of Health:

F.D.F. STEEDE, M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H.

(Resigned 31st October, 1964)

Acting Medical Officer of Health

G. COCHRANE, M.A., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

(Commenced 1st November, 1964)

Chief Public Health Inspector, Cleansing Superintendent
and Shops Act Inspector:

RICHARD CRUDDAS, M.C., M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.,

(Cert. Inspector of Meat and Other Foods).

Additional Public Health Inspector:

J. CLOUGH, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.,

(Cert. Inspector of Meat and Other Foods).

Pupil Public Health Inspector:

R.T. MARSHALL

Senior Clerk:

MISS J.V. YATES

Clerk:

MISS G. LOMAS

Junior Clerk:

MISS A. FLINTHAM

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M E D I C A L O F F I C E R O F H E A L T H

For the Year, 1964.

Public Health Department,

Town Hall,

Buxton.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Buxton.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the Health of the Borough for the year 1964. Dr. F.D.F. Steede resigned as your Medical Officer of Health on the 31st October, 1964, and Dr. G. Cochrane was appointed Acting Medical Officer and served in that capacity throughout the remaining months of the year.

It was thought that a hazard might exist to people using the Municipal Swimming Baths as these are supplied with water from a naturally radio-active thermal spring. Samples were taken and tested by the Radiological Protective Service and it was found that the levels of radio-activity were all lower than those recommended by the International Commission on Radiological Protection or the Medical Research Council, for the continuous exposure of individuals to the population. The exception was on occasions, the concentration of radon in the air over the swimming pools, but provided the rooms were adequately ventilated there would be no undue risk to bathers. Should water from the same source be used for the proposed new baths there would be no problem as adequate ventilation, which is necessary to eliminate chlorine should reduce the concentration of radon in the air of the baths below the maximum permissible value recommended by the I.C.R.P.

A sample of water taken from the pump room and from St. Ann's Well was found to contain Bact. Coli Faecal Organisms which indicated pollution of excremental origin. Since then the water has been chlorinated and subsequent samples have shown no contamination.

4,654 meals were supplied by the W.V.S. through the Meals on Wheels Service. This excellent service is now in its third year.

Dr. Steede and Dr. Cochrane have asked me, on their behalf, to pay tribute to the help they have received from very many people in the town and especially to the General Practitioners. They are grateful to the Borough Council and, in particular to the members of the Health Committee for their kindness and support. Finally they wish to record their sincere thanks to all the members of the Health Department for their loyalty and co-operation during the year.

I beg to remain,

Your obedient Servant,

H.E. NUTTEN

Medical Officer of Health.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

The elevation of the Borough is from 950 to 1,200 feet above sea-level.

Area of the Borough	6,337 acres
Estimated Population (mid 1964)	19,390
Number of Inhabited Houses, end of 1964 . .	5,903
Rateable Value (31.4.64)	£583,308
Value of Penny Rate (31.12.64)	£2,330

<u>Vital Statistics</u>						M.	F.	
<u>Live Births</u> - Legitimate						159	170	329
Illegitimate						11	11	22
Total						170	181	351
Live Birth rate per 1,000 population								18.10
<u>Illegitimate Live Births</u> per cent of total live births . .								6.27
<u>Stillbirths</u> - Legitimate						3	4	7
Illegitimate						-	2	2
Total						3	6	9
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 live & stillbirths								25.00
<u>Total Live & Still-births</u>						173	187	360
Deaths - All causes						125	140	265
Death rate per 1,000 population								13.66
<u>Infant Deaths</u> (Under one year of age) Legitimate . .						5	-	5
Illegitimate . .						2	1	3
Total						7	1	8
<u>Infant Mortality Rate</u> per 1,000 live births								22.79
Leg. " " " " " legitimate live births . .								15.19
Illeg. " " " " " illegitimate " "								136.36
						M.	F.	
Neonatal Deaths (Under four weeks) - Legitimate . .						3	-	3
Illegitimate . .						2	1	3
<u>Neonatal Mortality Rate</u> per 1,000 live births								17.09
						M.	F.	
Early Neonatal Deaths (Under one week) - Legitimate . .						3	-	3
Illegitimate . .						2	1	3
<u>Early Neonatal Mortality Rate</u> per 1,000 live births								17.09
<u>Perinatal Mortality Rate</u> (stillbirths and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live & stillbirths) . .								41.67
Maternal deaths (including abortion)								-
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1,000 live & stillbirths . . .								-

	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964
Infant Deaths	6	8	8	6	8
Infant Mortality Rate	16.3	26.5	23.3	17.9	22.8

CAUSES OF DEATHS IN BOROUGH OF BUXTON

DURING YEAR 1964

Causes of Death							Males	Females	Total
All Causes	...	...	...	...	...	...	125	140	265
1. Tuberculosis, respiratory ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	-	1
2. Tuberculosis, other ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
3. Syphilitic Disease ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
4. Diphtheria ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
5. Whooping Cough ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
6. Meningococcal Infections .	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	-	1
7. Acute Poliomyelitis .	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
8. Measles ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
9. Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
10. Malignant Neoplasm, stomach ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	1	6
11. Malignant Neoplasm, lung, bronchus ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11	-	11
12. Malignant Neoplasm, breast ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	4	4
13. Malignant Neoplasm, uterus ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	4	4
14. Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	7	19
15. Leukaemia, Aleukaemia ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	2	2
16. Diabetes ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
17. Vascular lesions of Nervous System ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24	32	56
18. Coronary Disease, Angina ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	29	23	52
19. Hypertension with Heart Disease .	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	-	1
20. Other Heart Disease .	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	35	42
21. Other Circulatory Disease .	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	4	6
22. Influenza ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
23. Pneumonia ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	4	9
24. Bronchitis ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	4	13
25. Other Diseases of Respiratory System ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	2	2
26. Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	-	3
27. Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	-	1
28. Nephritis and Nephrosis ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
29. Hyperplasia of prostate ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	-	1
30. Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion .	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
31. Congenital Malformations ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-
32. Other defined and ill-defined Diseases	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	12	21
33. Motor Vehicle Accidents ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	1	1
34. All other Accidents .	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	3	5
35. Suicide ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	4
36. Homicide and Operations of War ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-	-

Comparison with England and Wales

	Per 1000 Population		Per 1000 Live births	Per 1000 Total births
	Live births (Adjusted)	Death Rate (Adjusted)	Infantile Mortality	Stillbirths
Buxton	19.0	12.8	22.8	25.0
England and Wales	18.4	11.3	20.0	16.3

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

(a) Laboratory Facilities: Pathological and Bacteriological investigations are carried out at the County Public Health Laboratory, 121a, Osmaston Road, Derby (Tel. Derby 45597), and the Devonshire Royal Hospital, Buxton. Chemical analysis is carried out at the County Analyst's Department, Matlock (Tel. Matlock 3411).

(b) Ambulance Facilities: This is a County Council service with an ambulance stationed at Park Road, Buxton. (Tel. 3551).

(c) Nursing in the Home: This service is administered by the County Council.

(d) Clinics and Treatment Centres:-

<u>Name & Situation</u>	<u>Clinic held</u>	<u>By whom provided</u>
Maternity & Child Welfare Bath Road.	Mon. 1.30-4.15 Wed. 1.30-4.15	Derbys. County Council
Harpur Hill Institute	1st & 3rd Tues. each month	-do-
Ante-Natal Clinic, Bath Road.	1st & 3rd Tues. each month.	-do-
School Clinic, Bath Road.	Tues. 10-11	-do-
Eye Clinic, Bath Road.	Monday, a.m.	-do-
Minor Ailment Clinic, Bath Road.	Wed. a.m.	-do-
Chiropody Clinic, Bath Road.	Tues. - Fri. 9.30 - 12.30 Sat. 9-12	-do-
Chest Clinic, Stepping Hill Hospital, Stockport. (Subsidiary Clinic held at the Buxton Hospital)	Mon. - Fri.	Regional Hospital Board.
Venereal Disease Clinic, St. Thomas' Hospital, Shaw Heath, Stockport.	Mon., Wed. & Fri.	-do-

(e) Hospitals: Administered by the Regional Hospital Board.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948, SECTION 47
AS AMENDED BY THE NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951.

No action during the year was required to be taken under these powers.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

Water Supply: This is now under the control of the North Derbyshire Water Board.

FOOD

Food Poisoning Outbreaks

There was no case of food poisoning during the year.

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER TUBERCULOSIS

Number of cases notified during the year	2
Pulmonary	2
Non-pulmonary	-

There was one death from tuberculosis of the respiratory system and none from non-pulmonary form occurred.

In case of death or removal the house is disinfected.

The methods of control are :

(a) Sanatorium treatment administered by the Regional Hospital Board.

(b) The Chest Clinic at Stepping Hill Hospital, Stockport.

TUBERCULOSIS

NEW CASES AND MORTALITY DURING 1964

Age Periods	New Cases				Deaths			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
55	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 & upwards	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES FOR THE YEAR 1964

Disease	Total Cases Notified (all ages)	Admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths	Analysis of Total Cases in age groups											
				Under 1 year	1-	2-	3-	4-	5- 9	10- 14	15- 24	25- 34	35- 44	45- 59	60 and over
															Age Unknown
Acute Poliomyelitis . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Enteric Fever (including Paratyphoid)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
Pneumonia	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.S. Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	432	-	-	19	54	57	68	65	145	5	-	-	-	-	19
Whooping Cough	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Observation Cases :-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal Infection .	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

REPORT OF BOROUGH METEOROLOGIST

Meteorological Station,
Buxton.

To the Mayor, Members of the Council & Burgesses.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting the meteorological report for the year 1964 and extracts from the record of Meteorological Observations made at the Meteorological Station.

The highest temperature recorded was 76°F on the 26th August.

The lowest temperature recorded was 14°F on the 26th December.

The heaviest rainfall measured was 2.81" on the 12th December.

The highest total recorded for daily sunshine was 11.3 hours on the 17th May.

January and February were the driest on record in Buxton, with less than one third of the average rainfall. Temperatures in these months were not notably higher than normal. March was the wettest since 1951. May and June were changeable. The summer was a little better than average, with a fair amount of sunshine and low rainfall, but on the whole it was rather cool. Rainfall was also below average in September, October and November. The month of December was the wettest since 1959 and the rainfall amount of 2.81" on the 12th December was the highest ever recorded since the Buxton records were commenced in 1869.

1964	Average Temperature (°F)	Total Rainfall (inches)	Total Sunshine (hours)
January	35.72	2.23	14.7
February	36.7	0.87	34.3
March	35.4	4.52	34.3
April	44.4	3.44	72.3
May	52.6	3.81	152.5
June	53.3	3.36	82.3
July	56.9	5.29	120.8
August	56.0	2.73	143.7
September	53.4	1.98	125.4
October	44.4	3.98	83.7
November	43.2	3.68	17.6
December	34.78	7.25	15.0
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I remain, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

IVOR E. BURTON

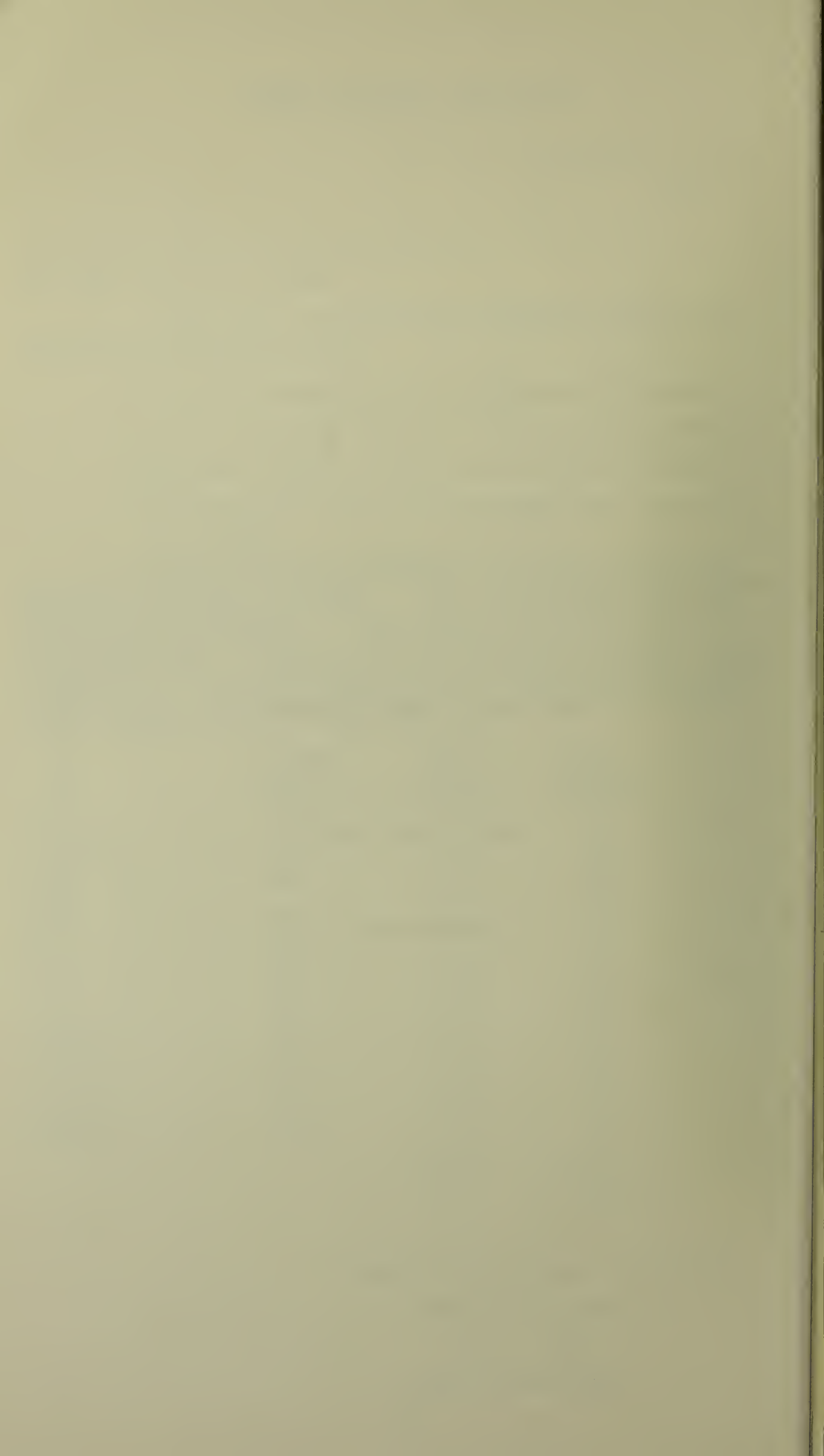
Borough Meteorologist.

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Public Health Department,

Town Hall,

BUXTON.

July, 1965.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Buxton.

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

In presenting this, my seventh Annual Report as your Chief Public Health Inspector, I shall endeavour to outline the scope of our undertakings during the year and emphasise for record purposes the items of interest which have occurred. The pages which follow the report contain statistical information on the multifarious duties undertaken by the officers, staff and employees of the Public Health Department.

Public Health Acts

Routine inspections of the Borough have been undertaken for the purpose of investigating complaints and where necessary, verbal, written or statutory notices have been served to remedy any nuisance found to exist.

Inspections of premises have been carried out under Section 60 of the Public Health Act, 1936 to ensure that existing buildings of the type specified in that Section are provided with adequate means of escape in case of fire.

The service of clearing stopped up drains in private properties has continued but it was found necessary to increase the minimum charge to ten shillings and to collect the money at the time of the operation. This policy has reduced the administration costs and time wasted on the recovery of outstanding accounts.

Housing

The occupants of the Clearance Area No. 2, 1961, Canholes Cottages, Macclesfield Main Road, Nos. 38, 39, 40, 41 and 42 Canholes Cottages, having been re-housed, the area was cleared by the Local Authority, the owners defaulting in complying with the Order.

The properties, Nos. 52 - 62 and Nos. 76 - 86 Burlow Rd., were offered for sale by the Imperial Chemical Industries (Mond Division), and it was ascertained that since these houses were first placed on the list of 'Houses scheduled for action under the Housing Acts', certain works of repair have been carried out which now enabled the houses to be improved under the House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959, as amended by the Housing Acts, 1961 and 1964 (Standard Grants). The houses were, therefore, removed from the list of scheduled properties.

A Closing Order was placed on the basement rooms of No. 2 Clifton Bank, Fairfield. The property, No. 3 Foxes Yard, The Front, Fairfield, Buxton, having been rendered fit for human habitation, the Closing Order made in 1961 was determined. Demolition Orders were made in respect of Nos. 1 to 23 inclusive and Nos. 25 to 59 inclusive, Haslin Road, Harpur Hill, Buxton. An Undertaking was

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accepted from the owner of the property, No. 27 St. James's Terrace, Buxton, that the underground rooms, forming part of the premises, will not be used for the purpose of human habitation.

The under-mentioned properties were dealt with under the provisions of the Housing Act, 1964, Part IV, Houses in Multiple Occupation:-

Milton House, Broad Walk, Buxton.
Somerford House, Terrace Road, Buxton.
Brooksby House, St. John's Road, Buxton.
14 London Road, Buxton.
Peveril House, West Road, Buxton.
2 Hardwick Cliff, Buxton.
West Point, Green Lane, Buxton.
1 Eagle Parade, Buxton.

The inspections, re-inspections and interviews with the tenants, agents and owners, took up a considerable amount of time, but it is gratifying to see that the personal contact with the respective owners has been instrumental in effecting the necessary improvements.

All cases of overcrowding discovered or brought to my notice have been thoroughly investigated and where statutory overcrowding was found to exist, action was taken to alleviate the problem and prevent re-occurrence.

Improvement Grants

Twenty-two Standard Improvement Grants were certified as having been satisfactorily completed during the year. There is still a tendency for applications to be received from owner/occupiers with a very small percentage from the owners of tenanted houses. Nevertheless, greater publicity is now being given to the availability of grants and from enquiries received, together with the possibility of amended legislation, it is anticipated that more time will have to be devoted to this section of the departmental duties.

Small Dwellings Acquisition Act (Mortgage Advances) and Land Charges Register

Liaison has been maintained with the Treasurer's Department and the Town Clerk's Department and when routine enquiries have been received from either the Treasurer or the Town Clerk, an inspection of the properties involved has been carried out and recommendations made in respect thereof for consideration. A number of housing defects have been discovered and remedied by this procedure.

Moveable Dwellings

Nithen Quarry, Manchester Road, Buxton, continues to be the only licensed site within the Borough. Routine visits were carried out during the year for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions contained in the licence were complied with.

Use was made of the facilities available in the Pavilion Gardens for the holding of Caravan Club rallies, and the following rallies took place on the dates shown:-

South Yorkshire Caravan Club	- 29th to 31st May, 1964.
Cheshire and North Wales Caravan Club	- 12th to 14th June, 1964.

Inspections indicated that the arrangements were adequate and previous co-operation between the organisers, the Entertainments Department and Public Health Department ensured that no nuisances were created.

A large field attached to Coldsprings' Farm, Manchester Road, Buxton was in use as a tented camping site during a period less than that specified in Section 269 (2) of the Public Health Act, 1936. The site did not, therefore, require to be licensed. Adequate provisions were made by the owner/occupier of the land to provide for ablutions, sanitary accommodation, water supply and disposal of refuse for use by the campers.

The itinerant caravan dweller did not create such a problem this year. The isolated cases were quickly dealt with in order to avoid their presence becoming a nuisance.

Public Cleansing -

Refuse Collection

Three Shelvoke and Drewry vehicles are engaged in the regular collection of refuse throughout the Borough. A system of weekly collection is maintained and extra quarters are worked each day of the week following a Bank Holiday, in order to keep collections up to date. During the year one of the 18 cu. yd. S. & D. vehicles was replaced by a 35 cu. yd. S. & D. Pakamatic and this vehicle is now operating in the town centre area where the concentration of hotels, schools and business premises produces a greater quantity of refuse of a bulky nature. Recommendations were made to the Council to order a further 35 cu. yd. S. & D. Pakamatic during the next financial year and to re-organise the refuse and salvage collection service to reduce the number of existing vehicles by one.

House building programmes have progressed in the Burbage, Cemetery Hill, Fairfield, Nunsfield Road and Brown Edge Road areas, together with an increase in business premises and extensions to existing premises throughout the Borough. This gradual growth has exceeded the number of premises demolished.

The estimated total tonnage collected per week of all materials, amounted to -

Summer period - 150 tons.

Winter period - 200 tons.

Weekly average - 175 tons.

Eighty visits were made for the purpose of inspecting dustbins. Verbal or written notices were given for dilapidated dustbins to be removed where necessary.

Refuse Disposal

Controlled Tipping was continued as the method for the disposal of refuse. The site is situated at Hogshaw on the Northern side of the town on land parallel to the Buxton/Manchester railway line. The average haul for each load of house refuse to the site being two and a half miles. A Bray Loader Model BL. 430 Series IV Loading Shovel is in operation and since its purchase last year has proved to be an asset in improving the efficiency of refuse disposal.

On reclaimed land near the entrance to the Tip, plots of land have been rented by persons living in the vicinity for the purpose of erecting garages. Twenty-two garages have now been erected and planning permission has been granted for a further six. The first stage of a tree planting scheme was supervised by Mr. Boyle, the Corporation's Head Gardener, on and around the tip area.

"Keep Britain Tidy" Campaign/.....

"Keep Britain Tidy" Campaign

The Department once again contributed to this Campaign and for this purpose the following schemes were successfully adopted:-

- 1) Posters were distributed and displayed at prominent points throughout the Borough.
- 2) Transfers were placed on the street litter bins.
- 3) A survey of all open spaces and waste ground was undertaken and any accumulations of refuse discovered were removed and appropriate steps taken to avoid a re-occurrence of the indiscriminate dumping of refuse.
- 4) The owners of abandoned cars were traced and instructions given for the removal of these vehicles.
- 5) The Controlled Tip was opened on two Saturdays during April and two Saturdays during September to enable individuals to deposite any refuse they so desired. This facility was restricted to Buxton ratepayers and was made public through the medium of the local press.

Salvage

At the beginning of the year, the recovery from the setback of the previous year was slow. The refuse teams had once again to be encouraged and re-educated to the fact that paper salvage was once again important. The gradual fall in prices offered by the paper merchants necessitated my having to find other outlets, and in September I was able to complete negotiations with the Thames Board Mills Ltd., for direct deliveries. In order to attain the target figure of 25 tons per month the Bonus Scheme in operation was reviewed and the collectors given an increase in bonus incentive. The future prospects for the salvage of materials from refuse appears to be good and assurances have been given by the Thames Board Mills that they will be able to receive our present monthly output of waste paper for the next three years. The income for the year from salvage amounted to £1,939.

Vehicle Maintenance

Mr. B. Goldstraw, the Foreman/Mechanic, and the staff of the Council's Maintenance Depot, are to be congratulated on the conscientious manner in which they have maintained the Department's vehicles. Very little time has been lost through breakdowns or major overhauls, which confirms that the policy of taking a vehicle off the road for one day in every six weeks for detailed inspection is paying dividends.

Refuse Collection and Disposal Staff

The increasing demands made on the existing refuse collection teams has created problems. During the year there were comings and goings of employees but the service was maintained by a nucleus of loyal employees. On occasions when teams were short in number due to sickness or holidays, the men put in extra efforts to keep up to date with collections.

Complaints received about methods of collection were investigated and where necessary put right. There is still much the householder and business personnel can do to ease the lot of the refuse collector, by firstly, providing adequate and suitable receptacles for refuse and having done so, making use of the same in a hygienic manner. Far too often are the refuse collectors faced with battered bins oozing offensive liquid and cardboard boxes so overloaded with ashes that when picked up the bottom falls out.

Once again I must extend my thanks to Mr. L. Wood, the Foreman/Tip Attendant, for the hard work he has put in during the year and his assistance in maintaining the service, at times under difficulties. An outline of the costs for the year 1st April, 1964 to 31st March, 1965 are given in the appendix to this report.

During April the employees were issued with one Donkey Jacket and Leggings (once every three years) and two sets of overalls (annually). Protective Gloves were made available as and when required.

Public Conveniences

The Health Department is responsible for the supervision of staffing, cleansing and maintaining eight of the Ladies' and Gentlemen's Conveniences throughout the Borough. Vandalism was once again responsible for the heavy expenditure on maintenance and there appears to be no solution to this problem.

A Sub-Committee carried out a survey of the existing provisions available and made recommendations for improvements and adaptations to the existing conveniences. In addition, suitable sites were selected for the construction of new conveniences in the Water Street and Burlington Road areas.

The Minister of Housing and Local Government confirmed the Byelaws made by the Council under Section 87 (3) (a) of the Public Health Act, 1936, and these Byelaws came into operations on 1st May, 1964. The Byelaws were printed and affixed to the interior of the Public Sanitary Conveniences throughout the Borough.

Wash Baths

A survey of the records of attendances at the Wash Baths indicated that a re-adjustment of the hours of opening could be introduced. This was done without unduly inconveniencing persons patronising the Wash Baths. The re-housing of occupants from sub-standard houses and the provision of baths in houses, with or without the assistance of a grant, has undoubtedly been responsible for the falling off of regular bathers. During the Summer months, the baths were made use of by campers and hikers visiting or passing through Buxton.

Swimming Baths and Pools

Routine inspections were made of the swimming pools and baths during the year to ensure that an efficient standard of hygiene was maintained. In addition the filtration and chlorination plants were checked from time to time and samples taken to ensure that the operators were attending to their duties satisfactorily.

Slaughterhouses - Meat Inspection

The privately owned slaughterhouse situated at Haslin, Harpur Hill, Buxton, is the only licensed slaughterhouse within the Borough. A 100% meat inspection was carried out on week days, Sundays and Bank Holidays. Routine inspections ensured compliance with the Slaughterhouse (Hygiene) Regulations, 1958 and the Slaughter of Animals (Prevention of Cruelty) Regulations, 1958. The Slaughterhouse cooling-room was extended to include a cold storage refrigerator. Details of the carcasses and offal inspected and condemned in whole or in part are included in the appendix to this report.

Inspection and Supervision of Food

Your Inspectors have carried out detailed and routine inspections of the food preparation and storage premises throughout the Borough. As a result of the Aberdeen Typhoid incident, all food shops and hotels known to be selling corned beef were visited and the stocks examined. Only two tins bearing the suspected packing station mark were found and these were willingly surrendered.

Major alterations and improvements were carried out at the Palace Hotel where the whole of the existing kitchen was gutted and re-designed by the introduction of new and hygienic kitchen equipment.

Once again I am pleased to report that there has been a continued improvement in the majority of food premises, particularly fried fish shops and snack bars which appear to be growing in popularity in Buxton. Nevertheless, there is still work to be done in this direction and I am disappointed at the response to our efforts of establishing Food Hygiene Courses in conjunction with the High Peak College of Further Education. More encouragement should be given by the Directors and Management of firms engaged in promoting the sale of food to their junior employees to attend the courses provided.

It will be noticed from the appendix that there has been an increase in the quantities of food condemned. This is due in the main to electrical breakdown of the "frozen food cabinets", particularly at week-ends, and as a result the contents have been raised to a temperature which renders the articles unsaleable.

The practice of examining raw milks brought into the town has continued. As a result those cows found to be affected with brucella abortus were subsequently removed from the herds and sent for slaughter.

Forty-four samples of ice-cream were submitted for bacteriological analysis and all proved satisfactory. There are no firms manufacturing ice-cream in Buxton at present.

A new source for the production of food was established at Harpur Hill by Wrington Vale Nurseries opening a Mushroom Farm in the disused R.A.F. Tunnels. Frequent visits were made during the initial stages and the management co-operated in ensuring that hygienic practices in food production were put into effect.

I am indebted to the County Analyst and County Health Inspector for providing the details of the work undertaken by them under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, so far as it relates to Buxton.

Water Supply - Sampling

Samples were obtained once per month from the town mains supply at various points within the Borough. The samples being submitted to the Public Health Laboratory, Derby. The results were submitted to the North Derbyshire Water Board and by arrangement, the reports on the samples taken in Buxton by the North Derbyshire Water Board were made available to the Public Health Department.

Other sources - twenty-six samples were taken from private supplies derived from springs. Nine were found to be unsatisfactory involving three sources of supply. In two instances works were undertaken to improve or amend the supplies and subsequent samples were found to be satisfactory.

In the third case, an isolated hillside farm, the matter was referred to the Area Officer of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food for one of his Advisory Officers to assist the farmer in improving his source of supply.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963

Most of the provisions of the Act were brought into operation by 1st August, 1964. As a result, I was instructed to prepare a report upon office accommodation at the Town Hall, and in addition inspections and reports were submitted to the appropriate Chief Officers in connection with the Public Library, Natural Baths and Pavilion Gardens. Preparations were put in hand to receive registration forms from the owners and occupiers of premises to which the Act applies, and to compile the necessary records and returns. The provisions of the Act will undoubtedly place added responsibilities upon the staff of the Department and an increase in the inspectorate section will be inevitable.

Factories

Routine inspections have been made of Factories within the district in connection with the following matters.

- (1) Factories where mechanical power is used.
 - (a) Provision and maintenance of sanitary conveniences for both sexes.
- (2) Factories where mechanical power is not used.
 - (a) Cleanliness
 - (b) Overcrowding
 - (c) Temperature and Ventilation
 - (d) Drainage of floors
 - (e) Provision and maintenance of sanitary conveniences for both sexes.
- (3) Basement Bakehouses.
- (4) Homework.

Shops Act, 1950

Routine inspections were undertaken during the year to ensure that the provisions of the Shops Act were being complied with. The shopkeepers readily complied with matters brought to their attention during inspections and it was not found necessary to institute any legal proceedings.

Shops in certain areas of the Borough were permitted to remain open on eighteen consecutive Sundays during the period commencing with the second Sunday in May. Arrangements were made for the suspension of the weekly half-day holiday during the Summer months, the period being from the 11th May to 12th September.

Market

The open-air market held on each Saturday continued to expand. By careful selection of market traders the goods available to would-be purchasers has improved, both in variety and quality. With effect from 5th September, 1964, no person is permitted to occupy a stall for the sale of food (other than eggs, vegetables and fruit) unless the food has been suitably pre-packed. The market has been inspected regularly each Saturday to ensure that the byelaws are complied with and adequate precautions are taken to prevent contamination of food. Immediately the stallholders depart, the market area is thoroughly cleansed and made available for car-parking by 8.0 p.m. in the evening.

Clean Air Act, 1956

The policy of giving publicity to the importance of clean air has been continued in the Health Committee, the Council and through the medium of the press.

Disinfestation and Rodent Control

A Rodent Operative/Disinfector is employed and provided with a $\frac{1}{4}$ ton Morris Van for the purpose of carrying out his duties. He also undertakes the duty of rodent operative within the Rural District of Chapel-en-le-Frith by arrangement with this neighbouring authority.

Test baiting of the main sewers in the town was carried out during the year. Of the 206 manholes baited, only 30 showed evidence of infestation. These areas were subsequently cleared of rodents.

Complaints were received of a nuisance caused by feral pigeons in the area of the Crescent and arrangements were put in hand to reduce the number by the use of bait containing a narcotic. Owing to certain objections the treatment was postponed until June 1965.

There was a number of calls made upon the Rodent Operative/Disinfector to destroy wasps nests, which sometimes proved to be a difficult operation. Nevertheless, this service was much appreciated by those ratepayers who were unfortunate enough to be troubled by wasps in large numbers.

Home Safety

The staff of the Department contributed towards the activities of the Buxton Home Safety Committee. Councillors Mrs. H. Hibbert and Mrs. Y.L. Lees being delegated representatives for the Public Health Committee. Councillor Mrs. Hibbert and Councillor Mrs. Lees were elected Chairman and Vice-Chairman respectively.

The activities of the Committee included (a) The distribution of pamphlets to occupiers of caravans, pointing out the fire risks in caravans. (b) A successful Home Safety Exhibition in the Town Hall. (c) A Home Safety Competition in the local papers, organised in conjunction with Chapel-en-le-Frith Home Safety Committee. (d) Lectures and film shows given to local organisations on Home Safety matters. (e) Committee representatives attending the Quarterly Meetings of the No. 4 Group Area Committee and the Annual Home Safety Conference.

Animal Boarding Establishments

Routine inspections have been made in conjunction with the Derbyshire Fire Authority to ensure that provisions of the Act are complied with. The establishments are subject to annual licence.

Legal Proceedings

It was not found necessary to institute any legal proceedings during the year.

Staff

In October, Dr. F.D.F. Steede left us to take up an appointment in Wiltshire. The staff of the Department were sorry to see him go as he was always willing to impart his knowledge on the varying aspects of the work of the Public Health Department. He will be long remembered for his work in connection with fluoridation of public water supplies, the anti-smoking campaign, safety in the home and a clean air policy for the Borough.

Upon Dr. Steede's departure, we welcomed back from retirement, Dr. G. Cochrane, whose assistance was much appreciated in dealing with the difficult cases of problem families which arose at the end of the year. His keen interest in the cases of brucellosis arising on two farms was instrumental in quickly isolating the affected cows and the arrangements made voluntary for their ultimate slaughter.

Mr. J. Clough, Additional Public Health Inspector, Mr. R. Marshall (Pupil) and myself attended the Annual Week-end School of the East Midland Centre of the Association of Public Health Inspectors held at Swanwick, Derbyshire on 12th/13th December, 1964.

I was also privileged to attend the Annual Conference of the Public Health Inspectors Association held at Portsmouth on 15/18th September, 1964. In addition, the Council and the Public Health Department have been represented at meetings of the National Society for Clean Air (North-West Area), the Derbyshire Cleansing and Salvage Officers, the Derbyshire Rodent Control Workable Area Committee, the Royal Society for the Promotion of Health and the Association of Public Health Inspectors.

I am pleased to report that Mr. R.T. Marshall (Pupil Health Inspector) was successful in passing the Clerical Examination and also the Students 1st Year Examination of the Public Health Inspectors Examination Joint Board. Miss Flintham, the new Junior Clerk, was successful in her R.S.A. Typing Stage I Examination.

Both the technical and clerical staff of the Department have worked extremely well during the year, tackling the administrative side of new legislation and duties with vigour. Now that each member is experienced in his or her particular sphere of the work, it is hoped that for the next few years, the smooth running of the Department will not be impaired by staff changes.

Since preparing this report, Dr. Nutten has been appointed Medical Officer of Health and the staff of the Health Department welcome him to Buxton.

In conclusion, I should once again wish to extend my thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee, the Members of the Council and Officials of other Departments who, by their co-operation, help and understanding have in no small way aided our limited efforts.

I am, Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

RICHARD CRUDDAS

Chief Public Health Inspector.

SUMMARY OF VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

Bakehouses	92
Butchers	172
Choked drains and sewers	178
Clean Air Act	37
Complaints General	344
Dairies and milk distribution	96
Dustbins	80
Factories - mechanical power	47
Factories - non-mechanical	55
Factories - other premises	67
Fish shops (wet)	45
Fish friers	71
Food shops - general	324
Food warehouses and stores	138
Food preparation premises	290
Food hawkers and vehicles	63
Food inspection	166
Hairdressers	84
Houses inspected - housing consolidated regulations	144
Houses inspected - for housing defects (disrepair etc.)	165
Houses inspected - after infectious disease	2
Houses let in lodgings	71
Hotel and restaurant kitchens	174
Ice-cream premises	108
Ice-cream sampling	57
Improvement Grants	156
Infectious disease visits	5
Market	108
Meat inspection	428
Milk sampling	192
Miscellaneous	368
Moveable dwellings	32
Offices	124
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act	49
Outworkers	9
Pet animal premises	17
Piggeries	20
Places of entertainment	58
Public conveniences	366
Revisits	370
Refuse and salvage	253
Rodent Control - refuse tips and sewage works	41
Rodent Control - other local authority properties	50
Rodent Control - business premises	23
Rodent Control - private dwellings	45
Rodent Control - agricultural premises	13
Schools	23
Shops Act, 1950 - routine	44
Shops Act, 1950 - evening	7
Shops Act, 1950 - half-day closing	21
Shops Act, 1950 - Sunday	7
Slaughterhouses	405
Wash Baths	8
Water sampling	85
Workplaces	13
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6,410	

SUMMARY OF NUISANCES ABATED AND SANITARY IMPROVEMENTS CARRIED OUT

Accumulations or deposits removed	...	...	...	...	...	100
Baths provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	40
Bedding and clothing disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	3
Ceilings repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	60
Cesspools repaired	...	...	...	...	...	6
Chimney stacks repaired	...	...	...	...	...	49
Closet compartments repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	34
Closet compartments cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	22
Damp proof courses provided	...	...	...	...	...	5
Doors and other woodwork repaired	...	...	...	...	...	60
Drains repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	81
Drains un-stopped or cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	93
Drains - additional provided	...	...	...	...	...	61
Drains - old drains tested	...	...	...	...	...	18
Drains - new drains tested	...	...	...	...	...	73
Eaves gutters repaired	...	...	...	...	...	55
External walls repaired	...	...	...	...	...	30
Firegrates repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	41
Flushing cisterns repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	33
Food stores provided or improved	...	...	...	...	...	32
Fuel stores provided or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	26
Gully traps provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	53
Improper keeping of animals discontinued	...	...	...	...	...	3
Inspection chambers provided or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	39
Lavatory basins provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	45
Lighting improved	...	...	...	...	...	25
Moveable dwelling nuisances abated	...	...	...	...	...	2
New dustbins provided	...	...	...	...	...	17
Overcrowding abated	...	...	...	...	...	4
Pail closets repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	5
Piggeries repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	2
Public sewers repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	8
Public sewers unstopped and cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	114
Rainwater pipes repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	50
Rooms disinfected after infectious disease	...	...	...	...	...	5
Sinks provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	26
Smoke nuisances abated	...	...	...	...	...	4
Soil pipes provided or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	28
Staircases repaired	...	...	...	...	...	19
Staircase handrails provided	...	...	...	...	...	8
Steps and sills repaired	...	...	...	...	...	13
Unfit houses demolished	...	...	...	...	...	7
Unfit houses closed	...	...	...	...	...	2
Ventilation improved	...	...	...	...	...	26
Verminous rooms disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	8
Verminous articles disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	5
Walls repaired internally	...	...	...	...	...	56
Waste pipes repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	40
Water supply improved	...	...	...	...	...	51
Water fittings repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	19
Water closets - additional provided	...	...	...	...	...	37
Water closets - repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	21
Windows repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	81
Yard and passage paving provided or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	8
Factories - cleansed	...	...	...	...	...	4
Factories - heating improved	...	...	...	...	...	8
Factories - lighting improved	...	...	...	...	...	3
Factories - ventilation improved	...	...	...	...	...	11
Factories - floors and drains repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
Factories - structures repaired	...	...	...	...	...	7
Factories - sanitary conveniences provided	...	...	...	...	...	8
Factories - sanitary conveniences improved or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	1
Floors repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	4

C/fwd.

1,800

	B/fwd.	1,800
Food premises - repaired or improved ... ..	...	51
Food premises - cleansed ... ..	...	26
Food premises - other defects remedied ... ..	...	30
Food premises - washing facilities provided ... ..	...	12
Public Conveniences - structures repaired or improved ... ..	...	6
Public Conveniences - fittings repaired or renewed ... ..	...	93
Public Conveniences - cleansed and redecorated ... ..	...	8
Shops - repaired or improved ... ..	...	41
Shops - washing facilities provided ... ..	...	3
Shops - cleansed ... ..	...	6
Shops - sanitary accommodation provided ... ..	...	2
Shops - other defects remedied or nuisances abated ... ..	...	139
	Total	2,217

NOTICES, INTERVIEWS ETC.

Total number of complaints received	1,210
Interviews with owners, builders etc.	385
Statutory Notices served	46
Statutory Notices complied with	32
Informal Notices served	73
Informal Notices complied with	69
Verbal Notices given	211
Verbal Notices complied with	171
Letters and reminders sent to owners etc.	621

STATUTORY NOTICES SERVED:-

Housing Act, 1957

Section 9	1
Section 16 (1)	6
Section 17	30
Section 18	1
Section 170	4

Public Health Act, 1936

Section 39	1
Section 45	1
Section 56	1
Section 93	1

Year ended 31st December, 1964

Number of new houses erected during the year:-

(a) Local Authority	46
(b) Private Enterprise	81
(c) Other Local Authorities	Nil
(d) Existing houses converted into flats	4
(e) New flats	Nil
Total	131

SEWERAGE, DRAINAGE AND SANITATION

No. of manholes in main foul sewers	...	...	...	...	...	1,090
No. of houses in the Borough connected to sewers	...	...	...	...	...	6,021
No. of houses not connected to sewers	...	...	...	...	...	66
No. of connections made during the year:-						
(a) Existing houses	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
(b) New houses	...	...	...	...	...	127
(c) Other premises	...	...	...	...	...	1
No. of conversions of pail closets to W.C.'s	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

Where drains were found to be defective owners were requested to carry out works of repair. Details of work carried out are given in the summary of nuisances abated.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE AND DISINFECTION

Details of work done during the year are as follows:-

Number of rooms disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	5
Number of articles of clothing, bedding etc. disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	3
Library books disinfected	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
Number of visits paid by Public Health Inspectors to premises in connection with infectious disease and disinfections	...	...	...	...	...	5

A. HOUSES DEMOLISHED			
In Clearance Areas declared under Section 42 of Housing Act, 1957	Houses Demolished	Displaced	
		Persons	Families
Unfit for human habitation	5	32	13
Included by reason of bad arrangement	Nil	Nil	Nil
On land acquired under Section 43 (2) Housing Act, 1957	Nil	Nil	Nil
Not in Clearance Areas			
As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17 (1) of Housing Act, 1957	6	32	14
Local Authority owned houses certified unfit by the Medical Officer of Health	Nil	Nil	Nil
Houses unfit for human habitation where action has been taken under local Acts	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	Nil Nil
Houses included in unfitness orders	Nil	Nil	Nil
Number of dwellings included above which were previously reported as closed			Nil
B. UNFIT HOUSES CLOSED			
	Houses Closed	Displaced	
		Persons	Families
Under Sections 16 (4), 17 (1) and 35(1) Housing Act, 1957	2	18	3
Under Sections 17(3) and 26 Housing Act, 1957	Nil	Nil	Nil
Parts of buildings closed under Section 18 Housing Act, 1957	3	6	2
C. UNFIT HOUSES MADE FIT AND HOUSES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE REMEDIED			
	By Owner	By Local Authority	
After informal action by local authority	152	Nil	
After formal notice under (a) Public Health Acts	4	1	
(b) Section 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957	Nil Nil	Nil Nil	
Under Section 24 Housing Act, 1957	Nil	Nil	
D. UNFIT HOUSES IN TEMPORARY USE (HOUSING ACT, 1957)			
Position at end of year. Retained for temporary accommodation	Number of Houses	Number of separate dwellings contained in Cols. 1 and 2	
(a) Under Section 48	Nil	Nil	
(b) Under Section 17 (2)	Nil	Nil	
(c) Under Section 46	Nil	Nil	
Licensed for temporary occupation under Section 34 or 53	Nil	Nil	
E. PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY AGREEMENT			
Houses in Clearance Areas other than those included in confirmed Clearance Orders or Compulsory Purchase Orders, purchased in the year.	Number of Houses	Number of occupants of houses in column (1)	
	Nil	Nil	

OVERCROWDING

Five new cases of statutory overcrowding were either reported or discovered during 1964. Four cases were re-housed by the Local Authority. Seven cases of overcrowding remained outstanding at the end of the year.

(a) Number of dwellings statutorily overcrowded	11
(b) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved by L.A.	4
(c) Number of persons concerned in (b)	22
(d) Number of dwellings remaining overcrowded	7
(e) Number of persons concerned in (d)	30

IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATIONS

Discretionary Improvement Grants under Section 30, Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958

Conversions:-

Number of dwellings concerned in APPLICATIONS RECEIVED this year	5
Number of dwellings in APPLICATIONS APPROVED this year (a) owner-occupied	4
(b) other	Nil
Amount of grant which the Council have decided to pay on applications approved this year	£869

Improvements:-

Number of dwellings concerned in APPLICATIONS RECEIVED this year	21
Number of dwellings in APPLICATIONS APPROVED this year (a) owner-occupied	6
(b) other	9
Amount of grant which the Council have decided to pay on applications approved this year	£2,937

Standard Improvement Grants under the House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959

Number of dwellings concerned in APPLICATIONS RECEIVED this year	20
Number of dwellings in APPLICATIONS APPROVED this year (a) owner-occupied	17
(b) other	3
Grants paid this year (i.e. after completion of improvements):-	
Number of dwellings concerned	24
Amount paid	£2,778
Number of amenities provided:-	
Fixed baths or showers	21
Wash basins	21
Hot water supplies	22
Water closets	21
Food storage facilities	18

RENT ACT, 1957

No applications for Certificates of Disrepair were received during the year.

1. <u>Gross Expenditure</u>		<u>REFUSE COLLECTION</u>
		£
(i) Labour		11,573
(ia) Wages of driver of salvage vehicle		844
	Total	<u>12,417</u>
(ii) Transport		3,421
(iia) Vehicle costs salvage collection		531
	Total	<u>3,952</u>
(iii) Plant, equipment, land and buildings		<u>130</u>
(iv) Other items		<u>34</u>
	Total gross expenditure	<u><u>16,533</u></u>
<u>Gross Expenditure</u>		<u>REFUSE DISPOSAL</u>
		£
(i) Labour		2,071
(ia) Labour salvage, less salvage driver's wages		1,568
	Total	<u>3,639</u>
(ii) Transport		<u>1,389</u>
(iii) Plant, equipment, land and buildings etc.		
(a) Refuse disposal Controlled Tip		137
(b) Tools, equipment etc.		60
(c) Loan charges		211
(d) Salvage building repairs etc.		4
(e) Salvage equipment		62
	Total	<u>474</u>
(iv) Other items		
(a) Controlled Tip, General rate &c.		80
(b) Salvage, Insurance, Income Tax and other expenses		158
	Total	<u>238</u>
	Total gross expenditure	<u><u>5,740</u></u>

2.	<u>GROSS INCOME</u>	£
	(a) Tipping fees and rents (Controlled Tip)	252
	(b) Motor vehicle hire	753
	(c) Income salvage and rents (Salvage)	<u>1,934</u>
	Total	<u>2,939</u>
3.	<u>NETT COST</u>	
	<u>Refuse Collection</u>	
	Gross Expenditure	16,533
	Gross Income	<u>30</u>
	Nett Cost	<u>16,503</u>
	<u>Refuse Disposal</u>	
	Gross Expenditure	5,740
	Gross Income	<u>2,939</u>
	Nett Cost	<u>2,801</u>
4.	Capital expenditure met from revenue included above	-

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

COSTING RETURNS

Acreage:	6,337
Estimated Population - June 1964:	19,390
Weight per 1,000 Population per day (365 days to year)	24.952 cwts.
Estimated	

ANNUAL UNIT NETT COSTS

Per ton	(Collection	36s. 3d
	(Disposal	6s. 2d
Per 1,000 Population	(Collection	£852
	(Disposal	£144
Per 1,000 Premises	(Collection	£2,261
	(Disposal	£384

TOTAL GROSS EXPENDITURE

Collection:	£16,533
Disposal:	£5,740

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL GROSS EXPENDITURE

Labour:	75.104 %
Transport:	23.904 %
Plant, Equipment, Land and Buildings:	0.786 %
Other Items:	0.206 %
Capital Expenditure met from Revenue:	Nil
Total Income from Salvage:	£1,934
Total Income from Trade Refuse Charges, Vehicle Hire and Rents:	£1,005
Average Haul to Final Disposal Points:	2.5 miles
Percentage of Premises from which collection made at least once weekly:	100 %
Kerbside Collections Percentage of total collections:	Nil

METHOD OF DISPOSAL

Crude Tipping:	Nil
Controlled Tipping:	100 %
Direct Incineration:	Nil
Separation Incineration:	Nil
Miscellaneous:	Nil

SALVAGE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

Salvageable Material	1962		1963		1964	
	Weight T. C. Q. lbs.	Income £: s: d	Weight T. C. Q. lbs.	Income £: s: d	Weight T. C. Q. lbs.	Income £: s: d
Mixed Waste Paper	176. 6. 0. 0	1,244.19. 9	196.15. 0. 0	1,247.14. 5	196. 0. 0. 0	1,338. 10. 10
Container Waste	69.17. 1. 0	681.18. 3	57.14. 0. 0	548. 2. 10	61.16. 0. 0	593. 2. 9
Mixed Rags	-	-	-	-	13. 1. 10	2. 0. 1
String	-	-	-	-	4. 2. 20	1. 1. 1
Carpets	-	-	-	-	2. 3. 0	19. 3
Hair	-	-	-	-	1. 1. 0	1. 17. 6
TOTAL	246. 3. 1. 0	£1,926.18. 0	254. 9. 0. 0	£1,795.17. 3	258.18. 0. 2	£1,937. 11. 6

**REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL INCLUDING SALVAGE -
ANALYSIS OF VEHICLE MAINTENANCE AND RUNNING COSTS**

Cumulative figures from 1st April, 1964 to 13th March, 1965.

Vehicle	£: Labour Charges d	£: Replacements d	£: Petrol s: d	£: Diesel Oil s: d	£: Total Expenditure s: d	Estimated Vehicle Mileage
CNU 727B Nov. 1964	36 16 3	11 11 1	-	62 8 3	110. 15 7	978
577 CNU Aug. 1956	117 0 4	129 11 5	-	150 19 11	397 11 8	3822
112 LRB Sept. 1959	134 8 7	109 5 5	-	177 1 5	420 15 5	5341
PRA 80 Jan. 1951	125 7 4	88 3 6	255 14 2	-	469 5 0	-
Muldozer 1953	5 4 4	-	-	6 4 4	5 10 8	-
Breyloader 1963	73 9 4	130 16 4	-	34 8 2	238 13 10	-
775 GRB June 1958	124 16 8	80 15 3	-	105 7 5	310 19 4	6147

PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

The following Conveniences are controlled by the Public Health Department:-

Ladies: Ashwood Park, Bridge Street, Burbage, Cote Heath,
Fairfield, George Street, Market Place, Harpur Hill.

Gentlemen: Ashwood Park, Bridge Street, Burbage, Cote Heath,
Fairfield, Market Place, Terrace Road, Harpur Hill.

SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS

- (a) Public swimming pools and baths - Natural Baths owned by
Local Authority
- (b) Privately owned swimming pools
or baths open to public - Palace Hotel Swimming
Bath
- (c) Action taken to ensure the
satisfactory condition of the
water - Routine Sampling

SLAUGHTERHOUSES - MEAT INSPECTION

Details of the animals inspected are set out in the following tables:-

No. of carcasses inspected	...	...	...	...	...	4,669
Cattle excluding cows	...	...	...	...	...	497
Cows	...	...	...	...	...	44
Calves	...	...	...	...	...	19
Sheep and lambs	...	...	...	...	...	2,966
Pigs	...	...	...	...	...	1,143

CARCASES AND OFFAL INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED IN WHOLE OR IN PART

	Cattle excluding Cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs
Number killed (if known)	497	44	19	2966	1143
Number inspected	497	44	19	2966	1143
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis & Cysticerci</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	2	9	4
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	40	26	-	84	57
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than tuberculosis and cysticerci	8.05	59.09	10.53	2.157	4.996
<u>Tuberculosis only:</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	15
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	1.224
<u>Cysticercosis</u>					
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-

UNSOUND FOOD

The following is a detailed list of the diseased or unsound meat and other food examined by your Inspectors in slaughterhouses and shops and subsequently destroyed:-

Tuberculosis

<u>Pigs</u>	Heads and Tongues	11
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Conditions other than Tuberculosis

Bovine

Livers	Distomatosis	22
Livers	Abscess	10
Livers	Telangiectasis	8
Lungs	Congestion	3
Lungs	Abscess	5
Hindquarter Beef	Bruising	10lbs.
Kidneys	Hydronephritis	2
Udder	Mastitis	3lbs.
Heart	Pericarditis	2
Spleen	Peritonitis	3

Calves

Carcase and Organs	Immaturity	2
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Sheep

Livers	Fascioliasis	70
Carcase and Organs	Dropsy and Emaciation	7
Carcase and Organs	Moribund	2
Liver	Cysticercus Tenuicollis	3
Liver	Abscess	2

Pigs

Carcase and Organs	Septicaemia	4
Livers	Ascaris Lumbricodes	10
Livers	Fatty Infiltration	4
Plucks	Pneumonia and Pericarditis	15
Lungs	Pneumonia	16
Legs	Bruising	1
Hearts	Pericarditis	7
Heads	Tuberculosis	15

Meat, Poultry, Fish and Miscellaneous Foods

2 Pork Hind Legs	7lbs. 0ozs.	Top Side Beef	150lbs. 0ozs.
Minced Beef	200lbs. 0ozs.	38 pkts. Steak Burgers	11lbs.12ozs.
23 pkts. Fish Steaks	10lbs.12ozs.	21 pkts. Cod Fillets	9lbs.13ozs.
8 pkts. Haddock Fillets	3lbs.12ozs.	10 pkts. Plaice Fillets	4lbs.11ozs.
13 pkts. Haddock Portions	4lbs.14ozs.	13 pkts. Cod Portions	4lbs.14ozs.
3 pkts. Rainbow Trout	1lb. 14ozs.	3 pkts. Whole Plaice	1lb. 8ozs.
6pkts. Fish Steaks	3lbs.12ozs.	38 pkts. Baked Pudding	19lbs. 0ozs.
4 pkts. Carrots	2lbs.14ozs.	119 pkts. Peas	44lbs. 0ozs.
9 pkts. Sliced Beans	2lbs. 4ozs.	11 pkts. Sprouts	2lbs.12ozs.
1 pkt. Chopped Spinach	5ozs.	7 pkts. Orange Juice	2lbs.10ozs.
Orange Wafer Cream		23 pkts. Almond	
Biscuits	22lbs. 0ozs.	Marzipan	11lbs.10ozs.
16 pkts. Cheese Spread	3lbs. 8ozs.		

UN SOUND FOOD (continued)

Tinned Meats

54 tins - 164lbs. 5ozs.

Tinned Ham

13 tins - 80lbs. 6ozs.

Tinned Tongues

7 tins - 46lbs. 0ozs.

Tinned Food other than Meats

24 tins Tomato Paste
6 tins Peas
4 tins Pineapple Slices
3 tins Apricots
2 tins Grapefruit
11 tins Pineapple Chunks

38 tins Tomatoes
1 tin Runner Beans
1 tin Peaches
1 tin Golden Plums
3 tins Fruit Cocktail

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

The milk supply of Buxton is derived from 30 sources as follows:-

Producer/retailers : within the Borough	7
Producer/wholesalers : within the Borough	9
Producer/retailers : from without the Borough	-
Producer/wholesalers : from without the Borough	14
Total	30

Several of the producers within the Borough sell their surplus milk wholesale to dairies in Manchester, and in addition there are about 6 producers who sell all their milk whole sale at Manchester.

The number of registered premises in the Borough and visits made during the year are as follows:-

No. of Registered Dairies ...	9
No. of Registered Milk Distributors ...	24
No. of Inspections made ...	96
No. of Visits - Milk Sampling ...	192

BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF MILK SAMPLES

Designation	No. of Samples	Brucella Abortus		Tubercle Bacilli		Methylene Blue	
		Neg.	Pos.	Satis.	Unsatis.	Satis.	Unsatis.
Tuberculin Tested	201	<u>Ring Test</u>		2	-	37	1
		138	63				
		<u>Culture</u>					
		201	-				
		<u>Agglutination</u>					
		9	3				

BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF MILK SAMPLES (continued)

The sampling of pasteurised milk is carried out by the County Council Officials.

MILK SAMPLES TAKEN BY COUNTY COUNCIL

Raw Tuberculin Tested Milk			
<u>Methylene Blue</u>		<u>Biological</u>	
<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
14	1	11	1

Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised) Milk			
<u>Methylene Blue</u>		<u>Phosphatase</u>	
<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
34*	5	45	-

* 6 not done. Temperature exceeded 70°F.

<u>Pasteurised Milk</u>			
<u>Methylene Blue</u>		<u>Phosphatase</u>	
<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
1	-	1	-

Sterilised Milk			
<u>Turbidity</u>			
<u>Satisfactory</u>		<u>Unsatisfactory</u>	
2		-	

Total number of samples 64

Pasteurising Plant - R.B. Morten & Son, Green Lane, Buxton.

Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised) Milk			
<u>Methylene Blue</u>		<u>Phosphatase</u>	
<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>	<u>Satisfactory</u>	<u>Unsatisfactory</u>
19*	-	21	-

* 2 not done. Temperature exceeded 70°F.

Total number of Pasteurising Plant samples 21

Where two successive samples of milk from any one supplier fail to pass the methylene blue reduction test, notification is sent to the County Milk Production Officer with a request for him to visit the farm.

ICE CREAM - Sampling

Number of samples submitted for bacteriological examination	Satisfactory Provisional Grade 1	Unsatisfactory Under Provisional Grades
44	44	Nil

FOOD PREMISES - Food Premises within the Borough

Butchers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20
Pork Butchers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Grocers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	46
Dairy Produce and Grocery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Bread and Flour Confectionery	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Sugar Confectioners	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29
Fried Fish and Chips	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Greengrocers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Restaurants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
General Stores	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Cheese Factors	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Wine and Spirit Merchants	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Licensed Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	39
Market Stalls for Food	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Wholesale Warehouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Hotels etc.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	26
Works Canteens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Shops Canteens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
School Kitchens	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17

Food Premises registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955

Ice Cream Dealers	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	87
Manufacturers of Sausage and Preserved Foods	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	33

FOOD AND DRUGS ACTReport of County Analyst

52 samples, including 8 milks, were taken under the above Act in the area of the Borough of Buxton during the year 1964.

One sample of T.T. Pasteurised Milk contained a small amount of added water and one sample of Channel Island Pasteurised contained less than the minimum requirement of 4% fat for milk from Channel Island cattle. These irregularities were dealt with by caution notice.

Two samples of Potted Meat were deficient in meat and the retailers were cautioned.

During the year a number of samples were examined for your Authority following consumer complaints. Three were about milk, two containing foreign matter and one said to be of poor quality. Bread contained parts of a beetle and bread and butter was in fact bread and margarine.

WATER SUPPLY - Sampling

No. of houses connected to mains	...	...	...	...	...	6,107
No. of houses supplied from stand pipes on mains	...	...	...	...	...	2
No. of houses not supplied from stand pipes on mains	...	...	...	...	...	24

Samples are taken once per month from the town mains water supply.

The bacteriological examinations are carried out at the Public Health Laboratory, Derby. The chemical examinations are carried out by the County Analyst at Matlock. The following is a summary of the results of samples taken during the year:-

	Town Mains No. of Samples		Other Sources No. of Samples	
	Satis.	Unsatis.	Satis.	Unsatis.
For bacteriological examinations	37	-	17	9
For chemical examination	-	-	-	-

North Derbyshire Water Board - Report on Water Supply to Buxton M.B. Year 1964

The supplying authority to the area is The North Derbyshire Water Board.

Sources at Lightwood and Stanley Moor, after filtration and chlorination provide the supply to the area. Distribution is from covered service reservoirs.

The resultant quality of supplied waters is satisfactory.

The quantity proved adequate - no restrictions being imposed.

Chemical and Bacteriological analyses are carried out in the Board's Laboratories. All raw, treated and distributed samples are examined at least monthly.

The total number of samples involved in 1964 being:-

Bacteriological	276
Chemical	276

Bacteriological results on treated waters were consistent with standards laid down by the Ministry of Health.

Chemical results, in view of two sources being involved, vary with location approximate extremes of variation being:-

pH	7.0	8.5
Alkalinity (CaCo ₃)	6	60
Hardness (CaCo ₃)	39	111
Chloride (Cl)	11.6	24.2
Fluoride (F)	0.1	

There was no evidence of plumbo-solvent action in treated waters.

Before being brought into service all new mains were washed out, sterilized and samples taken to ensure satisfactory bacteriological and physical results.

A gas leak in the close proximity to a service reservoir resulted in the isolation of the reservoir for a period as a precautionary

measure. The supply was maintained by alternative arrangements, and subsequently the normal system restored.

The waters were monitored for radioactive substances.

Monthly reports of bacteriological and physical results were forwarded to the Medical Officer of Health.

The number of dwellings houses in the area is 6,107 all of which are supplied by mains. The population is 19,155.

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

TABLE A - Registrations and General Inspections

Class of premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Total number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	101	101	5
Retail shops	158	158	25
Wholesale shops, warehouses	22	22	3
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	32	32	16
Fuel storage depots	1	1	Nil

TABLE B - Number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to Registered Premises

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TABLE C - Analysis of Persons employed in Registered Premises by Workplace

Class of workplace	Number of persons employed
Offices	430
Retail shops	663
Wholesale departments, warehouses	51
Catering establishments open to the public	249
Canteens	8
Fuel storage depots	2
Total	1,403
Total Males	438
Total Females	965

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963 (continued)

No. of inspectors appointed under Section 52 (1) or (5) of the Act	2
No. of other staff employed for most of their time on work in connection with the Act	Nil

FACTORIES

The provisions of the Factories Act, 1961, which your Council has to administer chiefly relates to the following matters:-

- (1) Factories where mechanical power is used.
 - (a) Provision and maintenance of sanitary conveniences for both sexes.
- (2) Factories where mechanical power is not used.
 - (a) Cleanliness
 - (b) Overcrowding
 - (c) Temperature and ventilation
 - (d) Drainage of floors
 - (e) Provision and maintenance of sanitary conveniences for both sexes.
- (3) Basement bakehouses.
- (4) Home Work.

The following table shows the list of factories on the Register:-

Abrasive Compound Manufacturers	1
Agricultural Engineers	1
Bakehouses	9
Bicycle Repairs	2
Blacksmiths	1
Boot Repairing	5
Brake Lining Manufacturers	2
Builders and Plumbers	13
Builders Merchants	2
Cabinet Makers	1
Corset Manufacturers	1
Dairies	9
Dry Clearers	2
Dress Makers and Milliners	6
Egg Cleaning Machine Manufacturers	1
Electrical Engineers	3
Firewood Dealers	2
General Engineers	2
Joinery	3
Laundries	3
Local Authority	3
Nationalised Industries	6
Monumental Stone Mason	2
Motor Engineer Body Builders	2
Motor Car Body Sprayer	1
Motor Repairs	25
Oatcake Manufacturers	2
Painters Workshops	8
Photographic	1
Printers	2
Sausage, Pie and Cooked Meat Manufacturers	11
Site Operations	13
Slaughterhouses	1
Sweet Manufacturer	1
Tailoring	4
Thermostat Manufacturer	1
Undertaker	2
Upholsterers	2
Watch Repairers	4
Welding	1

Wines and Mineral Waters	...	...	...	...	...	1
Wireless and T.V. Repairs	...	...	...	...	...	6
Wire Badge and Embroidery	...	...	...	...	...	1

The number of inspections made of factories by your Public Health Inspectors and action taken is given in the following table:-

Premises (1)	Inspections (2)	Number of Written Notices (3)	Occupiers Prosecuted (4)
Factories (Mechanical power)	55	Nil	Nil
Factories (Non-mechanical power)	47	15	Nil
Factories (Other premises)	67	Nil	Nil

Defects found in Factories are as follows:-

Particulars	Number of Defects		
	Found	Remedied	Referred by H.M. Inspector
Want of cleanliness	4	4	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	8	8	-
Inadequate ventilation	11	11	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	1	1	-
Sanitary Conveniences:			
(a) Insufficient	8	8	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	1	-
(c) separate for sexes	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act	10	10	-

There were no offences in respect of which Prosecutions were instituted.

OUTWORK

Number of outworkers in register	...	...	...	...	...	9
Lists of outworkers received from other employers	...	...	...	...	...	1
Lists of outworkers received from other local authorities	...	...	...	...	...	1
Lists of outworkers sent to other authorities	...	...	...	...	...	-
Inspection of outworkers premises	...	...	...	...	...	9

SHOPS ACT

Number of shops entered in register	395
Number of inspections of shops made during 1964	79

The following is a summary of the improvements and repairs carried out at shop premises during the year:-

Improved	41
Cleansed	6
Defects remedied	17
Washing facilities provided	3
Additional sanitary accommodation	2

CLEAN AIR ACT, 1956

37 smoke observations were carried out during the year and advice was given on methods to be adopted for eliminating the emission of dark or black smoke.

THEATRES, MUSIC HALLS ETC.

There are four places of entertainment in the Borough viz: The Opera House, The Pavilion Gardens, The Spa Cinema and the Playhouse. All the establishments are well managed.

OFFENSIVE TRADES

There are no offensive trade establishments in the Borough.

RODENT CONTROL

Summary of Test-baiting of Sewers for Rats

Test undertaken by Buxton Borough Council.

Total number of manholes in foul and connected systems - 1,090

Number of manholes tested - 206

Number of manholes showing bait taken - 30

Date on which test-baits were laid - 23rd September, 1964.

4th and 15th November, 1964.

21st and 22nd December, 1964.

Date on which test-baits were recorded - 15th October, 1964.

15th and 23rd November, 1964.

23rd and 24th December, 1964.

Bait used - Warfarin 5 with Pinhead Meal Base.

Preservative (if any) - None

The areas around the manholes found to show evidence of infestation were subsequently found to be clear upon post baiting following treatments.

RODENT CONTROL

Summary of work carried out during the year:-

		TYPE OF PROPERTY				
		Non-Agricultural				Agricultural
		Local Authority	Dwelling Houses	All other (incl. business premises)	Total of Cols. (1), (2) & (3)	
I	Number of properties in Local Authority's District	15	5990	1271	7276	37
II	Total number of <u>properties inspected as a result of notification</u>	3	105	38	146	-
	Number of such <u>properties found to be infested by:-</u>					
	Common Rat <u>Major</u>	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>Minor</u>	3	68	27	98	-
	Ship Rat <u>Major</u>	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>Minor</u>	-	-	-	-	-
	House Mouse <u>Major</u>	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>Minor</u>	-	18	10	28	-
III	Total number of <u>properties inspected in the course of survey under the Act</u>	4	269	47	320	-
	Number of such <u>properties found to be infested by:-</u>					
	Common Rat <u>Major</u>	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>Minor</u>	3	141	35	179	-
	Ship Rat <u>Major</u>	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>Minor</u>	-	-	-	-	-
	House Mouse <u>Major</u>	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>Minor</u>	-	23	10	33	-
IV	Total number of <u>properties otherwise inspected (e.g. when visited primarily for some other purpose)</u>	11	-	-	11	2
	Number of such <u>properties found to be infested by:-</u>					
	Common Rat <u>Major</u>	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>Minor</u>	2	-	-	2	2
	Ship Rat <u>Major</u>	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>Minor</u>	-	-	-	-	-
	House Mouse <u>Major</u>	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>Minor</u>	-	-	2	-	-
V	Total Inspections carried out - including re-inspections	16	364	146	526	6
VI	Number of <u>infested properties (in Sections II, III & IV) treated by L.A.</u>	5	87	33	125	2

	TYPE OF PROPERTY				
	Non-Agricultural				Agri- cult- ural
	Local Author- ity	Dwell- ing Houses	All other (incl. business premises)	Total of Cols.(1), (2) & (3)	
VII Total treatments carried out incl. re-treatments	5	87	33	125	2
VIII Number of notices served under Section 4 of the Act	-	-	-	-	-
IX Legal Proceedings	-	-	-	-	-
X Number of "Block" control schemes carried out	-	-	-	-	-

